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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL
EXAMINERS

In the Matter of:

Administrative Action

ADAM E. SNIDERMAN, V.M.D.

CONSENT ORDER

LICENSED TO PRACTICE VETERINARY MEDICINE IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened before the New Jersey State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners (the "Board") upon the filing of an Administrative Complaint on November 2, 2007, premised upon allegations that on May 2, 2003, respondent inappropriately cared for a thirteen-year-old male Persian cat "Tetley" by failing to properly conduct an intubation procedure and be prepared for the emergency situation that arose.

The Complaint alleges that on May 2, 2003, cat owner Cathy
Leck brought her cat Tetley to respondent at the Veterinary MRI
and Radiotherapy Center of New Jersey for sedation and a CT
scan. Respondent was informed before and during the procedure

that Tetley had a history of multiple diseases and prior airway problems thereby making anesthetic management of the cat difficult.

It is alleged that respondent did not appropriately monitor Tetley's vital signs throughout the intubation procedure and that respondent did not have the necessary emergency equipment and medications available in the room. Tetley went into cardiac arrest during the procedure. Resuscitation attempts were unsuccessful and Tetley died.

Respondent denies that his care of Tetley violated accepted standards of good veterinary medicine.

The Board finds that respondent's conduct constitutes grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(c). The Respondent desiring to resolve this matter without need for formal disciplinary proceedings, and the Board being satisfied that the within disposition is adequate to protect the public health, safety and welfare, and being further satisfied that good cause exists to support entry of the within Order,

ORDERED and AGREED:

1. Respondent Adam E. Sniderman, V.M.D., is hereby formally reprimanded for his conduct as described above, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(c).

IT IS on this 26 day of Pebruary, 2008

2. Respondent is hereby assessed a civil penalty, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22, in the amount of \$5,000.

- 3. Respondent is hereby assessed costs including the investigative costs, fees for expert witnesses, attorney's fees and costs of hearing, such as transcript costs, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25(d), in the amount of \$2,500.
- 4. The civil penalty and costs shall be due and owing no later than one hundred and eighty (180) days from the entry of this Consent Order. Payment shall be submitted by certified check or money order made payable to the State of New Jersey and shall be forwarded to Leslie G. Aronson, Executive Director, Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners at 124 Halsey Street, Post Office Box 45020, Newark, New Jersey 07101.
- 5. Respondent shall attend and successfully complete twenty-five (25) hours of Board approved continuing education courses in the area of critical care. The courses are to be completed within six months of the date of entry of this Order. Respondent shall additionally be responsible to ensure that the course provider submits written confirmation to the Board, following the course, attesting that respondent attended and successfully completed said course.
- 6. Failure to comply with any provision of this Order or remit any and all payments required by this Order will result in the filing of a Certificate of Debt and may result in subsequent disciplinary proceedings for failure to comply with an Order of the Board.

7. This Order shall constitute full and final resolution of the pending Administrative Complaint.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By:

Mark W. Logan, V.M.D.

Board President

I hereby agree to be bound by all terms and conditions of this Order. I consent to the entry of this Order by the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners.

Adam E. Sniderman, V.M.D.

I hereby consent to the form of this Consent Order.

Counsel, Sean F. Colquhoun, Esq.